



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the City Attorney's Office**

Date: April 6, 2010
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee
Referral to:

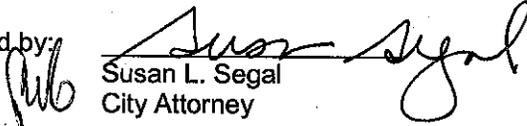
Subject: *Leeroi Jinter v. City of Minneapolis*

Recommendation: That the City Council approves the settlement of this claim by payment of \$7,500.00 payable to Leeroi Jinter and his counsel Christina M. Makens and Joseph J. Osterbauer, of the Osterbauer Law Firm, from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400 and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

Previous Directives:

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Approved by:


Susan L. Segal
City Attorney

Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).
 Action requires an appropriation increase to the _____ Capital Budget or _____ Operating Budget.
 Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.
 Action requires use of contingency or reserves.
 Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
 Other financial impact (Explain): Fund/Org 06900—1500100-145400
 Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

Community Impact

City Goal(s): Build Community

Background/Supporting Information

On August 27, 2009, shortly before midnight, Minneapolis Police officers responded to a "shots fired" call at or near 913 Oliver Avenue North. Upon arriving the officers heard two more shots, ran to the alley and stopped a vehicle seen heading north. A male in the vehicle fled the scene and a police K-9 unit was called in to track him. Mr. Jinter, a resident in the area, was seen standing outside and motioned to the officers. Jinter spoke with the officers and provided them with additional information pertaining to the incident. While the K-9 unit continued to track the male who fled, Jinter came back in an effort to tell the officer something further. As Jinter approached the officer from behind, the police dog made a quick turn back and bit Jinter in his right leg. Jinter sustained a significant puncture wound as a result of the bite and was transported to North Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released. Jinter has experienced discomfort from time to time at the wound site, and has special damages of approximately \$1,900.00.

Given the facts of this incident, we believe it is in the best interests of the City to resolve this lawsuit. After negotiation, contingent upon your approval, we have reached a proposed settlement of \$7,500.00 for complete satisfaction of all claims in this matter.